

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Traffic crashes are the leading cause of death in the United States for ages 4-34 years old and the third leading cause of death for all ages combined; and

WHEREAS, In 2004 there were 42,636 people killed and nearly 2.8 million injured in traffic crashes; and

WHEREAS, Traffic crashes result in a societal cost of more than \$230 billion each year; and

WHEREAS, More than 40 percent of all traffic fatalities in the United States are alcohol related; and

WHEREAS, Almost one in six traffic crashes victims treated in hospital emergency departments are alcohol positive; and

WHEREAS, Traffic crashes in Louisiana were responsible for 992 fatalities in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Alcohol was involved in 451 (45%) of Louisiana's 992 crash fatalities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim August 18 - September 4, 2006, as the

DRUNK DRIVING OVER THE LIMIT, UNDER ARREST

Summer campaign devoted to removing impaired drivers from the roadways of Louisiana. This campaign is worthy of the support of public officials, law enforcement agencies, associations, community and health groups, and Louisiana businesses. I do hereby support and encourage Louisiana law enforcement officials to intensify in their efforts during this campaign, to promote and visibly enforce compliance with Louisiana's alcohol consumption and driving laws.

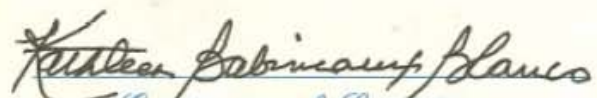


Attest By
The Governor



Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 8th day of August
A.D., 2006*



Governor of Louisiana